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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, October 5, 2015, at 4 p.m.

House of Representatives

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, October 2, 2015.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAC THORNBERRY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Cara Spaccarelli, Christ Church, Washington, D.C. offered the following prayer:

O God, Creator of all, lover of life, inspirer of hope even amidst tremendous pain and powerful obstacles, we know that You are as tired of hearing our cries in the face of another gun tragedy as we are tired of witnessing it.

As You comfort the community of Roseburg, Oregon, may we open ourselves to change, may we confess that what we are doing is not working, and that we can do better.

Inspire us out of complacency, out of inertia, out of fear that we might work toward becoming a nation that so honors life that it will do everything in its power to protect it.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, October 1, 2015.

Hon. John A. Boehner,

The Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on October 1, 2015 at 5:11 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 1624.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker pro tempore UPTON on Thursday, October 1, 2015:

H.R. 1020, to define STEM education to include computer science, and to support existing STEM education programs at the National Science Foundation:

H.R. 2617, to amend the Fair Minimum Wage Act of 2007 to reduce a scheduled increase in the minimum wage applicable to American Samoa.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable NANCY PELOSI, Democratic Leader:

OCTOBER 1, 2015.

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Hon. John Boehner,} \\ \mbox{Speaker of the House,} \\ \mbox{Washington, } DC. \end{array}$

DEAR SPEAKER BOEHNER: Pursuant to section 202(a) of the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-146), I am pleased to recommend the following individual to the Commission on Care.

 $\,$ Ms. Charlene Taylor, Elk Grove, California.

Best regards,

Nancy Pelosi, Democratic Leader.

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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